



OldFirst
Love First

Mission & Vision Statement
Adopted by the congregation, April 4, 2008

As people of an historic and ever-renewing congregation of the United Church of Christ, we seek to know and to share the transforming power of God: Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit,

- through following the teachings of Jesus Christ, the source of our salvation and the head of the Church;
- through regularly gathering together for vital, Biblically-based worship of our God;
- through shared life and learning as a community of faith;
- through personal spiritual practice;
- through faithful stewardship of our resources: financial, property, and human;
- through Spirit-led, collaborative decision-making;
- through love and service to those in need, physically and spiritually;
- through love and respect for one another;
- through the full discernment and expression of our God-given individual abilities;
- through embracing, honoring, encouraging, and learning from the diversity among us;
- through active engagement with our city and all its people; and
- through accepting God's challenge to look beyond our assumptions, to face boldly our questions and doubts, and to reach outside of our every-day comforts.

With God's help, we strive in faith to be a wellspring of hope for diverse people in our neighborhood, the city, the region and throughout the world.

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